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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Kemp

Attorney Docket No.: TRIPP013

Application No.: 09/738,267

Examiner: Nguyen, Danny

Filed: December 15, 2000

Group: 2836

Title: OVERVOLTAGE PROTECTION  
CIRCUIT

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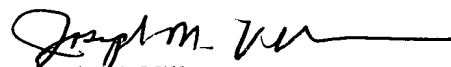
Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	12	MINUS	12	0	x 9 =	x 18 = 0
Independent Claims	4	MINUS	4	0	x 42 =	x 84 = 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$140.00	\$280.00
Total					\$	\$0

- ☐ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a \_\_\_\_ month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☐ Enclosed is our Check No. \_\_\_\_ in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_ to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. TRIPP013).

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**RESPONSE AFTER FINAL**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Final Office Action dated November 7, 2000.

Reconsideration of the currently pending claims (reproduced in the attached appendix) is respectfully requested.

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**REMARKS**

Claims 1-7 and 10-12 are currently pending in the application. Claims 1-7 and 10-12 were rejected.

The Examiner maintained his rejection of claims 1-7, 10, and 11 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,629,609 (Nguyen), and claim 12 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Nguyen in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,581,626 (Palmer). The rejections are respectfully traversed.

Nguyen teaches a low voltage drop out circuit which employs a voltage regulating